



General Assembly

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***Raised Bill No. 5393***

LCO No. 1785

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Referred to Committee on Public Safety and Security

Introduced by:  
(PS )

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE SALE OF LAW ENFORCEMENT  
BADGES.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 53-341a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2012*):

3 (a) No person, firm or corporation may sell or offer for sale a badge  
4 or shield that identifies the wearer as holding a specific office, title or  
5 position with a state or local government or the federal government  
6 unless the purchaser presents valid identification, and a letter signed  
7 by the agency head of the state, local or government agency that  
8 oversees the person or persons holding such office, title or position,  
9 that indicates the purchaser holds such office, title or position at the  
10 time of such sale.

11 (b) Any person, firm or corporation that violates the provisions of  
12 this section shall be guilty of a class B misdemeanor.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

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| Section 1 | <i>October 1, 2012</i> | 53-341a |
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***Statement of Purpose:***

To restrict the sale of badges or shields that identify the wearer as holding a specific government office, title or position.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*